

Sports

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Police Nine Roll On as Ramblers Nicked for Loss

Popping up out of no where like a weed after a spring rain and just as tough to keep down, is the Torrance Police Nine who continued on their winning ways last Sunday by setting down the Highland Park Ramblers, 2-0.

Tom Akers wet the whole distance for the local club fanning seven and allowing five well-scattered hits.

Missing from the coach's box was Swayne Johnson who made an emergency trip to North Dakota to attend the funeral of his mother-in-law who died last week. He is expected to be back a week from today.

This Sunday the club will meet the Hollywood Dodgers, a Brooklyn Dodgers sponsored team, in what may be the last game before the American Legion Semi-Pro Tournament gets under way at the City Park on Aug. 7. According to the schedule of games for the tournament the Dodgers may become the second round opponent for the Police Nine. The local club meets the Jugo-American Club from San Pedro in their opening game. The winner of this contest will meet the winner of the Dodgers-Hawthorne American Legion team in the second round. So this Sunday's game might be an indication of how well and how far the local club can get in the forth coming month-long tournament.

The club sustained a blow this week that may be felt the most when the chips get blue along about the third round. John Yelovitch, who pitched three winning games for the Police team, left these parts recently bound for Idaho Falls and their Class C club up in the potato state. Yelovitch did a little hurling for the Solons of the Pacific Coast League last year.

Line score: R H E
Ramblers 0 0 0 0 0 5 2
Police 0 0 0 0 0 2 6 2
Batteries: Lininger and Clarich, Akers and Muehler, Bennett.

Lull Hits Town as Storm Brews on Sports Horizon

The lull in sports activities will linger about Torrance this coming week prior to the approaching storm due to hit here next weekend.

On August 7 the Seventh Annual Torrance American Legion Semi-Pro Baseball Tournament will get under way at the City Park with the opening game between Burbank American Legion and Alloy Diecraft.

In the meantime, however, sports around Torrance have practically reached a standstill.

The Industrial League softball loop is all wound-up including the Championship Play-offs. The Torrance Scuttlers moved the one remaining home game on their schedule to Orange. On top of that Dale Riley has closed the schedule book for use of the city park while diamond, stands, etc., are made ready for the month-long tournament.

Eddie Cole, local football mentor of note, has postponed the Kiwanis-sponsored Football Kicking and Passing fracas until after school starts to permit more high school pigskinners to enter the contest.

The recently organized Girls Softball League combined with one from Lomita Park and will play their games there. About all that will be left on the sports platter to satisfy the appetite of the avid fan is the Dub League games at Fern Avenue Park.

However, commencing on August 7, there will be plenty of action in these parts, especially for the kids. The tournament committee, headed by Jimmy Wray as chairman, decided to open the gates to any kid 15 or under. This is a real break for our baseball minded youth who likes to see a brand of ball that is surpassed in caliber only by the big leagues. It is also a break for budget-minded Mama and Papa who are forced to pay a king's ransom for a half pound of tea. The committee dropped the regular price of admission to 50 cents which includes the government levy.

Legion, sponsors of the coming semi-pro baseball tournament. Seated left to right are: Carl Ritter, San Pedro News-Pilot; Preston Roberts, Wilmington Press-Journal; Bynner Martin, San Pedro News-Pilot; Howard Handy, Compton Herald American; Dick Griggs, Huntington Park Signal; Mil Chipp, San Pedro News-Pilot; Dick Layton, Huntington Park Signal; Maxwell Stiles, Long Beach Press-Telegram; Cliff Johnson, Torrance Herald; Bob Wilcox, Lomita News and Har-

ry Bordin, Gardena Valley News. Standing, left to right: "Eric" Erickson, Wilmington Press-Journal; Fred, Hessler, KGER; Ray Canton, Long Beach Press-Telegram and Jack Baldwin, Torrance Herald.—Herald photo.

Two Torrance teams, Howard Realty and Torrance Recreation, have entered the new Ladies softball league at Lomita Park. Play Leader Bill Todd said today.

The additions brought the league's strength to five teams. The popular new circuit is for ladies, 15 years of age and older.

League standings, as of Wednesday, follow:

Team	W	L
Lomita Park	2	0
Banning	0	1
Norman	0	1
Torrance Rec	0	1
Howard Realty	0	0

Torrance Teams Enter Lomita Ladies League

American Standard assumed sponsorship of the Crenshaws in the Dub League according to word received from the new factory this week.

Coached by Ed Cunningham and managed by Larry Gitschler, the team has been setting the pace in the league with wins over Navy Annex and Longren Aircraft.

'We Can Do It Again' Sings Goodyear's Manager Brady

Although the dust has not had a chance to settle on Goodyear's newly acquired trophy they are already planning for next year's softball season.

Hovering over the trophy like a mother chick, Carl Brady, manager of the Goodyear team, clucked, "We did it before and we can do it again."

The Rubbermakers made off with the Torrance Herald's Perpetual Trophy for the first time last Thursday night by eking out a 3-2 win over Columbia Steel for the Championship of the Industrial League for '48.

The victory made it two straight for the Goodyear nine who trailed the Steelmakers for six innings in the second game.

Already Brady is plotting to have next year's team in full uniform and planning a squad

BASEBALL SCHEDULE
Thursday, July 29, Keystone Oilers vs. G.P. Meter Shop, Fern Avenue Park Diamond No. 1, American Standard vs. Johns Club, Diamond No. 2, 5:30 p.m.
Friday, July 30, Navy Annex vs. Longren Aircraft, Fern Avenue Park, 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, August 1, Ideco Ramblers vs. American Standard, Fern Avenue Park, 1 p.m.
Sunday, August 1, Torrance Police Nine vs. Hollywood Dodgers, City Park, 2:15 p.m.

LIKES to play. Wow! I got off the subject again.

Well, here is what I have in mind.

There's 15 on the club, at approximately \$25 a suit, let's see, that's \$375. One dollar a piece for 375 people or 20 cents apiece from our 18,000 population will uniform the Torrance team. It might be a possibility that some of the companies and merchants of Torrance might go along for \$25 a piece? ? ? ?

Well, that is the situation as I see it, and you being a sports editor must, and I am sure you do, have your local team at heart. If you or any of your readers have any ideas my phone number is 2042. I will be glad to lend a hand.

Yours till we put OUR name on OUR club,
/s/ Dick Miller.
Dick Miller
Dear Sir:
Herewith is my buck!

Jack Baldwin, Sports Editor.

PIGSKIN CONTEST POSTPONED

Accepting the suggestion from many coaches and athletes, Eddie Cole, summer playground director and Torrance High School football coach, announced this week the Kiwanis-sponsored Football Kicking and Passing Championships Tournament has been postponed until September.

Cole stated that interest in the affair had exceeded expectations and that many coaches from through out Southern California had told Cole that they had boys who would like to enter, however, many of the youngsters were working during the summer and would not be able to make the tournament if held on July 30 as originally scheduled.

Considering this angle the Recreation Commission met with the Directors of the Kiwanis Club and elected to postpone the event until mid-September. It was felt that this would enable a greater number of boys to enter and would also give those who do enter a little practice and would allow some time for the boys to get in shape.

DUB LEAGUE RESULTS
Johns Club, 8, Keystone Oilers, 6.
Optimist vs. Navy Annex postponed.
Crenshaws, 18, Longren, 1.
Optimist, 10, Ideco, 8.

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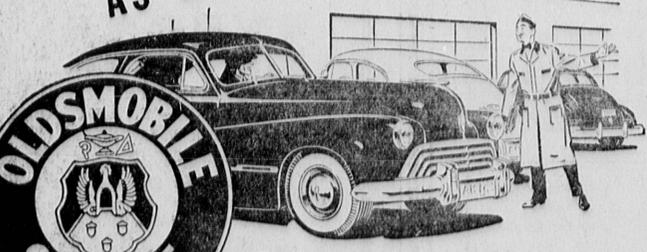
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